

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Sheriff et al.

Application No. 10/573,049

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For USE OF A COMPOUND FOR REDUCING THE BIOLOGICAL EFFECTIVENESS OF IL-6

## SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Enter the instant amendment before examining the claims.

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